to plague men and for no other purpose own country."

whatsoever under heaven. Hearing She boked at him in silence with whatsoever under neaven. Hearing this discourteous speech, the Princess part of the first part. For her life she could not speak, but the sun grew dark and the river outside the city gates, where she would at least is assailed by no more reproaches. For since she was irreproaches. For since she was irreproaches. repreaches. For since she was tree here you here you here with the work would determined to live and die unvocably determined to live and die unmarried, of what use or benefit was it to trouble fier with embassies, courtings or proposals, either from the Gread Duke of Mittenheim or anybody eight is was utterly weary of this matter of tox, and her mood would be onemanged, though this new suitor were as exalted as the king of France, as rich as Crossus himself, and as handsome as the god Apollo. She did not desire a husband, and there was an end of it. Thus she went out, while the queen sighed and the king furned, and the courtiers and ladies said to and the courtiers and ladies said to won the courtiers and ladies won the courtiers are the courtiers. The courtiers are the courtiers are the courtiers and ladies won and the courtiers are the courtiers and ladies won the courtiers are the courtiers. The courtiers are the courtiers are the courtiers and ladies won the courtiers are the courtiers. The courtiers are the courtiers are the courtiers are the courtiers are t the courtiers and ladies said to another that these dissensions ellie very uncomfortable at Strei-the ladies further adding that he lid be a hold man who married

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answer.
"Heating I would then go to Strel-sin, and so forget her."
"But you are it Strelsau now!" she erled with wonderful surprise.
"Ah, left I am no pwines, madame."

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"How would a peer student dare to forget in Sirelsnu?" And as he spoke made hold to step near her and oal close, looking down into her out case, posking down into her.

Without a word she turned and helm going with a step that seemed dame through the meadow and yet it have ther own chamber, where she add weep in quiet.

I know it now, I know it now," she

T know it now, I know it now," she wispered softly that night to the tree that rose by her window. "Height a hat am I to do? I cannot live; no, and now i cannot die. Ah, me, what am I to do? I wish I were a peasant girl but then perhaps he would not. Ah ses, but he would?" And her long laugh rippled in triumph through the night, and blended with the rustling of the leaves under a summer hreeze, and she stretched ber white n us to haven, imploring the kind God with payers that she dared not speak even to his patiful our.
"Love knows no princesses, my princess." It was that she heard as she fied from him next day. She should have reduced him But for that the must have staid; and to stay she

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GRAND DUKE OF MITTENHEIM.

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ing warin when the clock of the cathedral struck 2 and told him that no more than an hour now parted her from him. For she would come; the princess would come; the princess would come to him, the standard struck 2 and to him, the standard steep the vision of that cuttage in the dream.

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Would she some? She would come; the had risen from her knees and to the had risen from her knees and making her last preparations. She had wriften a word of love for the course Rudelf would forgive herand she had ready all that she took with her. the five hundred crowns, one ring that she would give her lover, some clothes to serve till his loving labor frurished more. That night seem clothes to serve till his loving labor frurished more. That night seem had wept and she had laughed; but now she neither wept are laughed; but there was a great pride in her face and gait; and she opened the dor of and gait; and she opened the dors dailed their daughter, for her head hings who hung framed upon the walk; and as she went she seemed hideed their daughter, for her head was erect and her eye set firm in haughty dignity. Who dated to sty that she did anything that a king's daughter should not do? Should not a woman love? Love should be her diddem. And so with this proud step she came through the gardens of the parkee, looking neither to right nor left, nor behind, but with her face set straight for the little gaie; and she walked as she had been accustomed to walk when all Strelsau looked on her and milled her as its glovy and its walked as she had been accustomed to walk when all Strelsau looked on her and milled her as its glovy and its more straight along the west. that the student of the university should pay the price of life for his morning ride with the princess. And when he darted through the gate and set his horse straight along the western road, many of the people, neglecting all their business as folk will for excitement's sake, followed him as best than would make the said that their business.



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"I should certainly have killed him, let him be who he will," said the Kins. "But why do you call him the Grand Duker"

The officer very cautiously approached the King, and, seeing that the King make no threatening motion, he at last trusted himself so close that he could speak to the King in a very low voice; and what he said seemed to astonish, please and amuse the King immensely. For he chaped the officer on the back, laughed heardly, and cried.

"A prest, yirlck! On my life, a pretty rick."

Now Osra and her lover had not heard what the officer had shouled to the King, and when Osra say her brother returning from among the trees alone and with his sword, she still supposed that her lover must die; and she turned and flung her arms round his rack and ching to him for smorth little dagger in her hand. But the King came up, wearing a scornful smile, and he asked her:

"What is the dagger for, my wilful sister?"

"For me, if you wild kill sense."

scornful smile, and he asked her:

"What is the dagger for, my wilful siscer?"

"For me, if you kill him," said she, "You would kill yourself, then, if I killed him?"

"I would not live a moment after he was dead."

"Frith, it is wonderful!" said the King with a shrug, "Then plainly if you cannot live without him, you must live with him. He is to be your husband, not mine. Therefore take him, if you will."

When Ogra heard this, which indeed for Joy and wonder she could hardly believe, she dropped her kinde and, running forward, fell on her kness before her brother and cusching his hand, she covered if with kieses, and her tears mingled with her kisses. But the king let her go on and stood over her, laughing and looking at the sill.

At this moment she saw the king come out on to the terruse, and with him was the Bishop had been presented to the grand duke, the king sented to the grand duke, the king sented to the grand duke, while the bishop kissed Osra's hand with the grand her kiness her love her brother and cusching his hand, she covered if with kieses, and her kines her, laughing and looking at the sill—dent. Presently the student began to laughing also, and he had just advanced a step towards King Rudolf, when Count Sergius of Anthelm, the grand duke's ambassador, dame out from among the trees, riding hotly and with great zeal after the noted robber, But no sooner did the count see the language of the student because wanes; yet that sweet memory may ever he fresh and young, a thing a man con trunning up to the student bewards.

ambassador.

"Aks, I have no cottage!"
"Who are you?" she whispered to

The man for whom you were ready to die, my princess. Is it not enough?"

"Yes, it is enough," said she, and she did not repeat her question. But the king, with a short haugh, turned on his heef, and took Count Sergius by the srm and walked off with him; and presently they met the officer and learned fully how the grand duke had come to Strelsau and how he had come to Strelsau and how he had come.

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"Who are you?" she cried to the student, running in between him and the ambassador.

"Your lover and servang" said he was but love's servant as life is both purposed solely for his betty crimemers."

ambassador.

"Your lover and servant," said he.
"And besides?" she said.

"Why, in a moreth, your husband," laughed the king, taking her lover by the hand.

He clasped the king's hand, but turned at once to her, and said humbly:

"Something of the dead have gained peace, and they who live have escaped forgetfulness."